



The Scribbly Gum

Term 1 Week 5 2024



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Attendance

We are off to good start with our overall attendance rate so far this term at 93%. The focus certainly remains upon students being present for each and every school day to maximise both their learning and social development.

We understand that unforeseen circumstances, illness and appointments do pop up from time to time for all families. If appointments could be scheduled outside of school hours as much as possible that would be greatly appreciated. A reminder also for parents who need to organise trips away during term. This should be avoided as much as possible and there is an application form for such instances which can be collected from the school office. Every day matters!

Social Media

With recent updates to our departmental Student Behaviour Policy and Procedures now in effect, it is important to note that students who engage in inappropriate social media interactions with other students or against school staff, whether at home or at school, can now face consequences at school.

We have discussed the need for responsible use of social media time and time again with those senior students who are allowed access at home. If any threatening or inappropriate language or images are used and can be connected to other students or staff at a school, the school is well within its rights to impose consequences for students engaging in such behaviour. The key message remains – If students are permitted access to social media, they need to use it responsibly.

New Families BBQ

We had a good turnout at our new families gathering at school last week! Thanks to all who attended and we look forward to another brilliant year ahead at The West!

Best wishes,
Pete Roddy
Principal

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SRC Induction

Elected SRC members, School and House Leaders were presented with their badges at a special assembly on Friday 16 February. Students were voted in by their peers to represent the student body at Temora West. Congratulations to all recipients.



School Leaders: Fay, Emily, Sarah & Isaac



SRC - Semester 1

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| Kinder: Nate & Owen | 5/6 G: Georgia & Barry |
| 1/2 M: Ivanna & Wyatt | 5/6 T: Jax & Imogen |
| 1/2 W: Kade & Boyd | MC H: Eva |
| 3/4 R: Jimmy & Olivia | MC B: Clay |

CALENDAR

Week 5

Fri 1 Mar

- Swimming for Sport
- CDPSSA Basketball Trials, boys & girls
- Clean Up Australia Day

Week 6

Tues 5 Mar

- Volleyball Program 3-6

Wed 6 Mar

- MC 3-6 Kids in the Kitchen

Thurs 7 Mar

- PSSA Touch Football Trial (girls & boys)

Fri 8 Mar

- Swimming for Sport Yr 3-6
- Mixed League Tag Gala Day
- Assembly 5/6 G, 2.30pm

Week 7

Mon 11 Mar

- Riverina Swimming Carnival

Tues 12 Mar

- Eastern Riverina AFL Trials

Wed 13 Mar

- P&C AGM, 5pm, school staff room
- NAPLAN Assessments

Thurs 14 Mar

- NAPLAN Assessments

Fri 15 Mar

- Swimming for Sport
- NAPLAN Assessments

Upcoming Events

- School Photos - Tues 19 March

To keep up to date with school events navigate to the school web page and click on the ['parent calendar'](#) or ['events'](#)

P&C AGM

Wednesday 13 February
5.00pm
School Staffroom

All positions declared vacant

temorawestpandc@gmail.com

Kids in the Kitchen

MC 3-6 have commenced the Kids in the Kitchen Program. The program teaches students about healthy eating and nutrition, numeracy and literacy. During the lessons the class read through the recipe and determine the quantities required and costing to prepare the meal, shop for the ingredients and finally prepare the recipe. Bacon and eggs on toast was enjoyed for the first lesson, with all students giving it the thumbs up!



Volleyball - Sporting Schools Grant

Students in Kindergarten to Year 2 have been learning the skills of Volleyball for the last 4 weeks. Geoff from Gecko Sports in Young visits the school each Tuesday to teach the sessions, which has been made possible through the Sporting Schools Grant. Students have enjoyed learning the fundamentals, Year 3-6 will commence the sessions next week.



Student Leadership Conference

The newly elected school leaders took part in a Student Leadership Conference conducted by the Museum of Australian Democracy - Old Parliament House. Emily, Fay, Isaac and Sarah engaged really well with the activities which helped develop ideas about what a good leader is. Thank you to Mrs Brodie, SRC Coordinator for organising the beneficial training.

Incursions

Students enjoyed two incursions during week 5. On Tuesday, the YRSM presented **Music in the Regions** to the students. Music in the Regions had students singing and dancing along to the Chicken Dance, keeping everyone entertained.

On Wednesday, **It's a Mad World** was presented to students portraying the important message of persistence and confidence. During the show, circus skills were used to keep students engaged. The show was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

STUDENT OF THE FORTNIGHT

Term 1 Week 5



Imogen has hit the ground running in 5/6T this year. She is dedicated to her learning every day and relishes every opportunity to build on past learning. Imogen always listens actively, and this strong skill enables her to navigate confidently through increasingly sophisticated concepts. Imogen is already of invaluable assistance to the younger members in our class and cherishes moments when she can help them. She puts others at ease and can see when someone simply needs that extra little bit of support. Thank you for trying your best each and every day, Imogen. We all see what you do for yourself and for others. We are grateful for you. And congratulations for being our Student of the Fortnight!

PBL SPECIAL MENTIONS

Isaac & Sophie



Using great problem solving skills to help others



Being a positive member of our school

Welcome BBQ

On Wednesday 23 February the school welcomed new families to the school community by hosting a BBQ tea. It was a great opportunity to meet school staff and fellow families in a relaxed atmosphere.



Sports House Leaders



Congratulations to the following students who were elected Sports House Leaders.

Kangaroos: Brax, Ava D, Alina & Dex
Wallabies: Ava B, Benji, Bella & Makenzie
Possums: Ben, Imogen, Cooper & Darcy
Emus: Georgia, Rhyder, Elsie & Beau R

THE RESILIENCE PROJECT™

Gratitude

Working on gratitude helps us to be thankful and appreciate what we have in our lives, rather than focusing on what we don't have or what we want. When we practise being grateful, we start to scan the world to look for positives – this only takes 21 days! Practising gratitude every day increases our levels of energy, helps us to feel happier and more focused, determined and optimistic. It even helps us have a better sleep, lowers levels of anxiety and depression and we are less likely to get sick. So many benefits – let's all try to be grateful for the things and people in our lives every day!

Click on the link [TRP@HOME](#) to view activities for the whole family to help improve wellbeing and build resilience.

More information about the project can be accessed [here](#).

THE RESILIENCE PROJECT AWARD

Olivia



For displaying gratitude at school.

5/6T IN TERM 1

In 5/6T, we have been working with the new Mathematics Syllabus Units of Work. We began by representing numbers up to and including thousands using words, numerals, diagrams and digital displays. We made connections between fractions, percentages and decimal notation. It's been maths magic!



	SODIUM	SUGARS
Chips	1.97g	2.6g
Bears	0.225g	1.850g
...	1.780g	3.71g
...	0.685g	3.705g
...	0.0450g	0.55g
Spaghetti	1.55g	8.550g
...	0.866g	3.205g
...	0.16g	6.95g
...	1.485g	4.25g
...	0.036g	5.475g

